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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECONNAISSANCE PLANNING GROUP

SUBJECT: Budget Issues

REFERENCE: RPG-D-4

Members will recall in our discussion of RPG-D-4, paragraph 4 of both Mr. Bross's memorandum for the Chairman of USIB and the proposed instruction to the Chairman of the SIGINT Committee and COMIREX that in the first instance the promise is made that the DNRO will provide to USIB during March of each year a statement of the major issues he sees in the upcoming budget cycle. We are now in March.

In keeping with the Terms of Reference of the RPG (see attachment to RPG-D-1) the Group is expected to advise the DNRO and the DCI of emerging problems of the NRP. Accordingly, it occurs to me that here we have an immediate opportunity to apply this injunction with regard to the budget issues.

Would you be good enough, therefore, to prepare for discussion at the next RPG meeting a list of those major issues which you foresee. Once we together have identified those issues which most or all of us deem pertinent, we can consider what next steps may be necessary to formulate more fully a statement of the issues. I have in mind that we would then turn these over to the DNRO for his consideration in connection with fulfillment of the paragraphs 4 of RPG-D-4.

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